

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RHAWN JOSEPH, Ph.D.,

Plaintiff,

-against-

SPRINGER NATURE; SPRINGER, a Subsidiary of Springer Nature; ELIAS BRINKS; JEREMY MOULD; DOES 1-10, SUED IN THEIR INDIVIDUAL CAPACITIES AND AS CO-CONSPIRATORS,

Defendants.

20-CV-4672 (CM)

ORDER DIRECTING PAYMENT OF FEES  
OR IFP APPLICATION

COLLEEN McMAHON, Chief United States District Judge:

Plaintiff brings this action *pro se*. To proceed with a civil action in this Court, a plaintiff must either pay \$400.00 in fees – a \$350.00 filing fee plus a \$50.00 administrative fee – or, to request authorization to proceed *in forma pauperis* (IFP), that is, without prepayment of fees, submit a signed IFP application. *See* 28 U.S.C. §§ 1914, 1915.

Plaintiff submitted the complaint without the filing fees or an IFP application. Within thirty days of the date of this order, Plaintiff must either pay the \$400.00 in fees or submit the attached IFP application. If Plaintiff submits the IFP application, it should be labeled with docket number 20-CV-4672 (CM). If the Court grants the IFP application, Plaintiff will be permitted to proceed without prepayment of fees. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1).

The Clerk of Court is directed to mail a copy of this order to Plaintiff and note service on the docket. No summons shall issue at this time. If Plaintiff complies with this order, the case shall be processed in accordance with the procedures of the Clerk's Office. If Plaintiff fails to comply with this order within the time allowed, the action will be dismissed.

The Court certifies under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(3) that any appeal from this order would not be taken in good faith, and therefore IFP status is denied for the purpose of an appeal. *Cf. Coppededge v. United States*, 369 U.S. 438, 444–45 (1962) (holding that appellant demonstrates good faith when seeking review of a nonfrivolous issue).

SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 7, 2020  
New York, New York



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COLLEEN McMAHON  
Chief United States District Judge